Phase-II of Swayamsiddha Project

1852. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to launch Phase II of Swayamsiddha project for empowerment of women;

(b) if so, the details thereof, *inter alia,* indicating its status in Orissa;

(c) whether it is a Centrally funded project; and

(d) how far this would help to generate additional income through Self Help Groups?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) It is proposed to launch Phase-II of Swayamsidha for empowerment of women primarily funded Centrally with the intent of covering greater number of blocks including in Orissa.

(d) One of the focus areas under the programme will be to undertake group income generation activities which will help generate income for the Self Help Group members.

Scheme for prevention of trafficking

1853. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHTRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently prepared a comprehensive scheme for prevention of trafficking and rescue, rehabilitation and reintegration of the victims of commercial sexual exploitation;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme;

(c) whether the Central Government has taken up the matter with the State Governments for effective implementation of the scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir. The scheme of UJJAWALA was launched on 4th December, 2007 by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

(b) The scheme has specific components for Prevention, Rescue, Rehabilitation, Reintegration and Repatriation of victims of Trafficking for Commercial Sexual Exploitation.

(c) and (d) The Ministry of Women and Child Development has written to all State Governments/UT Administrations to forward proposals from eligible organisations for implementing the Scheme.